ABSTRACT :

A communications network (100) includes a first node (110) and a group of neighboring nodes (110). The first node (110) includes at least one transceiver (340). The first node (110) may observe one or more conditions in at least one of the communications network (100) and the first node (110) and select a sleep mode of a group of sleep modes based on the observed one or more conditions. Each sleep mode of the group of sleep modes may be associated with a different procedure. The first node (110) may power down the at least one transceiver (340) according to the procedure associated with the selected sleep mode.